

cases where the plaintiffs were not injured here and do not live here.

The courts should be open to every one who has a cause of action or thinks he has one, but let him go where he belongs.

We respectfully ask you to give us relief by passing a law depriving our courts of jurisdiction to try such cases.

Numerously signed.

THIRD DAY.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas,

Wednesday, March 17, 1909.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment, President Pro Tem. Brachfield presiding.

Roll call, quorum present, the following Senators answering to their names:

Adams.	Meachum.
Alexander.	Murray.
Brachfield.	Peeler.
Cofer.	Perkins.
Greer.	Senter.
Harper.	Stokes.
Hayter.	Terrell of Bowie.
Holsey.	Terrell of McLennan.
Hudspeth.	Ward.
Kellie.	Watson.
Mayfield.	Willacy.
	Absent.
Bryan.	Real.
Hume.	Sturgeon.
Masterson.	Veale.
Paulus.	Weinert.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Rev. H. M. Sears.

Pending the reading of the Journal of yesterday, on motion of Senator Cofer, the same was dispensed with.

EXCUSED.

On account of important business:

Senator Sturgeon for last Saturday and all of this week, on motion of Senator Kellie.

Senator Paulus for last Saturday and all of this week, on motion of Senator Kellie.

Senator Senter for Monday of this week, on motion of Senator Hudspeth.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

By Senators Ward and Bryan:

Senate bill No. 18, A bill to be entitled

"An Act making an appropriation for the recovery of lands belonging to or claimed for the public schools and other lands of the State of Texas, and for the enforcement of any and all laws of the State of Texas concerning public lands or lands belonging to the State of Texas, or to any of its special funds or institutions; providing the manner of expending such appropriation, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time, and referred to Committee on Finance.

ADJOURNMENT.

Senator Watson moved that the Senate do now adjourn until tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock, said adjournment being in honor of St. Patrick's day.

The motion was adopted.

APPENDIX.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 17, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 1, A bill to be entitled "An Act making appropriation to defray the contingent expenses of the First Called Session of the Thirty-first Legislature of the State of Texas, convened March 13, 1909, by proclamation of the Governor, and declaring an emergency,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.

WARD, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 17, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 3, A bill to be entitled "An Act making appropriation to pay the per diem pay of members and per diem pay of officers and employes of the First Called Session of the Thirty-first Legislature of the State of Texas, convened March 13, 1909, by proclamation of the Governor, and declaring an emergency,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.

WARD, Chairman.

(Floor Report.)

Austin, Texas, March 17, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Agricultural Affairs, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 2, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the establishment and maintenance of an Agricultural Experiment Station in Tom Green and El Paso counties, and making the necessary appropriation therefor,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Mayfield, Chairman; Willacy, Kellie, Cofer, Murray, Perkins, Paulus, Holsey.

FOURTH DAY.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas,

Thursday, March 18, 1909.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment, President Pro Tem. Brachfield presiding.

Roll call, quorum present, the following Senators answering to their names:

Adams.	Murray.
Alexander.	Peeler.
Brachfield.	Perkins.
Cofer.	Real.
Greer.	Senter.
Hayter.	Stokes.
Holsey.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of McLennan.
Hume.	Ward.
Kellie.	Watson.
Mayfield.	Willacy.
Meachum.	

Absent.

Bryan.	Veale.
Harper.	Weinert.
Masterson.	

Absent—Excused.

Paulus. Sturgeon.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Rev. H. M. Sears.

Pending the reading of the Journal of yesterday, on motion of Senator Cofer, the same was dispensed with.

EXCUSED.

On account of important business:
Senator Mayfield for Tuesday and yes-

terday, on motion of Senator Hudspeth. Senator Real for Monday and yesterday, on motion of Senator Alexander. Senator Terrell of McLennan for today and tomorrow, on motion of Senator Holsey.

On account of sickness:

F. P. Smith, Engrossing Clerk, for today and until he gets better, on motion of Senator Cofer.

FIRST HOUSE MESSAGE.

Hall of the House of Representatives;
Austin, Texas, March 18, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following bills:

Senate bill No. 1, A bill to be entitled "An Act making an appropriation to defray the contingent expenses of the First Called Session of the Thirty-first Legislature of the State of Texas."

Senate bill No. 3, A bill to be entitled "An Act making appropriation to pay per diem pay of members and per diem of officers and employes of the First Called Session of the Thirty-first Legislature of the State of Texas, convened March 13, 1909, by proclamation of the Governor, and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully,

BOB BARKER,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

By Senator Ward:

Senate bill No. 19, A bill to be entitled "An Act defining land suits, providing for the compulsory attendance upon the trial of such suits, of witnesses residing or who may be found outside of the county in which such suit is pending, and for the production by such witnesses upon the trial of such suit of books, papers and other evidence in or subject to the custody, control or possession of such witnesses, and for mileage and per diem of such witnesses, and for collection and payment thereof; providing for compulsory process to enforce such attendance of such witnesses and prescribing fees for service thereof, and compensation thereof; prescribing penalties for violation of the provisions of this act, and for the enforcement of such penalties; making this act cumulative of existing laws; making an appropriation to carry the provisions of